Simplified Definitions of Income and Resources



State agencies now have the option to exclude additional types of income and resources by aligning food stamp policy with TANF or Medicaid policy. Any income not counted under Section 1931 of Medicaid or TANF can be excluded with some exceptions. The exceptions are wages, salaries, benefits from major assistance programs, regular payments from a government source, worker's compensation, child support payments, and other types determined countable to insure fairness in eligibility determinations. The same option exists for the treatment of resources. The ones that cannot be excluded when using this particular option are cash, licensed vehicles, and readily available amounts in financial institutions--plus anything determined essential to count by FNS for basic fairness.

Simplified Definition of Income	Simplified Definition of Resources	Both	
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MICHIGAN PENNSYLVANIA SOUTH CAROLINA WISCONSIN WYOMING	ARKANSAS LOUISIANA	ARIZONA GEORGIA HAWAII IDAHO INDIANA IOWA KENTUCKY MARYLAND	MISSOURI NEBRASKA NEW HAMPSHIRE NEW YORK NORTH CAROLINA NORTH DAKOTA OHIO SOUTH DAKOTA VIRGINIA

